

## LOCAL NEWS

PROCLAMATION BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE  
UNITED STATES.

*James Buchanan, President of the United States, to all*

Whereas by an act of Congress approved March 3, 1855, entitled "An act to improve the laws of the District of Columbia, and to codify the same," the President of the United States was directed to appoint a board of commissioners to inquire into the expediency of and place for taking the sense of the citizens of the District of Columbia for or against the adoption of the proposed charter, and to report thereon to the President, and he has accordingly appointed a board of commissioners, and has prepared in pursuance of said act, and further to provide for the carrying out of the provisions of said act, and to provide for the mode and rules of conducting such inquiry, the following plan:

Now, therefore, be it known that I do hereby appoint Monday, the 15th day of February, 1858, as the day for taking the sense of the citizens of the District of Columbia, as aforesaid.

The polls will be opened at nine o'clock, a. m.

closed at five o'clock, p. m. Every free white male citizen of the United States above the age of twenty-one years who shall have resided in the District of Columbia one year next preceeding the said 15th day of February 1858, shall be allowed to vote at said election.

The voting shall be by ballot. Those in favor of adoption of the Revised Code will vote a ballot with the words "For the Revised Code" written or printed thereon.

the same; and those opposed to the adoption of the code will vote a ballot with the words "Against the Revised Code" written or printed upon the same.

The places where the said election shall be held the judges who shall conduct and preside over the same will be as follows:

For the first ward in the city of Washington at Sadler's office, on Pennsylvania avenue. Judges: John Southey S. Parker, Terence Drury, and Alexander Mecklin.

For the second ward, on 12th street, one door west of Pennsylvania avenue. Judges: Charles L. Colburn, John H. Edwards, C. Deane.

For the third ward, near the corner of 9th street between F and G, west of the Patent Office. Judges: Valentine Harbaugh, Joseph Bryan, and Harvey Cruden.

For the fourth ward, at the west end of City Judges: William A. Kennedy, John T. Clements, Francis Mahan.

For the fifth ward, at the Columbia engine-house, Judges: Henry C. Purdy, Thomas Hutchinson, and A. Brown.

For the sixth ward, at the Anacostia engine-house, Judges: John D. Brandt, George A. Bohrer, and G. R. Ruff.

For the seventh ward, at Island Hall. Judges: Samuel Brown, James Essey, and John L. Smith.

For Georgetown, at the mayor's office. Judges: Edward Chapman, John L. Kidwell, and Wm. H. Edles.

For that portion of the county of Washington which lies west of Rock Creek, at Conrad's tavern, in Tenmile town. Judges: Joshua Peirce, Charles R. Belt, and William D. C. Munlock.

For that portion of said county which lies between Rock Creek and the Eastern Branch of the Potomac River, at the residence of the late John C. Munlock. Judges: Joshua Peirce, Charles R. Belt, and William D. C. Munlock.

And for that portion of said county which lies east of the Eastern Branch of the Potomac, at Goodhope take Judges : Selby B. Seaggs, Fenwick Young, and Dr. Ford Manning.

they shall come up the next day, and the same shall be given "For the Revised Code," and what number "Against the Revised Code," which certificates shall be transmitted within twenty-four hours to the Attorney General of the United States, who will report the same to me.

Given under my hand this 24th day of December, [L. S.] eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, and of the Independence the eighty-second.

Dec 27—43t lawtl JAMES BUCHANA

**GRANITE BUILDING STONE.**

**PROPOSALS** will be received until the 1st day of March next, at 12 o'clock, a. m., for furnishing and delivering to the U. S. Army, at Fort Belvoir, Montana, the following described quantities of granite building stone, viz:

216 blocks, averaging 32 cubic feet each, smooth faced edges, and bedded and jointed throughout.

108 blocks, averaging 32 cubic feet each, smooth faced on one side and bedded and jointed throughout.

598 streptococci, rough faced, with distinct draught, averaging  
16 to 60 cubic feet each, with dressed heads and joints  
597 headers, rough faced, with chisel draught, averaging  
to 55 cubic feet each, with dressed heads and joints  
410 blocks, averaging from 10 to 60 cubic feet each, smooth  
on two sides, bedded and jointed throughout  
829 blocks, averaging from 15 to 25 cubic feet each, smooth  
on three sides, with dressed heads and joints throughout  
62 blocks, averaging 14 cubic feet each, smooth faced  
ends, and dressed heads and joints throughout  
46 blocks, averaging about 15 cubic feet each, smooth on  
one side, dressed heads and ends joints

144 beds, averaging from 10 to 50 cubic feet each, a position them to be dressed throughout.

The stone, in all respects, to be of the best quality of granite for the cutting and dressing to be true to the dimensions, to be given, whether in the straight or curved surface. It is to be dressed to the pattern of the extra cutting which will be drawn from negotiable well charged to the contractor.

Samples of the stone offered will have, in all cases, to accompany the proposals; and also the extent and locality of the quarries.

The deliveries to be completed during the year 1955, unless otherwise stated, commencing on or about the 10th day of April in each quantity and particular dimensions as will from time to time be designated.

Moulds will be furnished for all intricate stones at the expense of the United States, at Castle Galloway, when applied for by the party when the contract was made.

The proposals will specify the price of the stone by the cubic foot when dressed, delivered, inspected, and accepted.

Each individual offering proposals will accompany them the signatures of two competent persons who are willing to become

For further details and specifications can be obtained, for the quantities, character and sizes of the stones to be furnished, at the United States Engineer Office, at Fort Monroe, Hampton Roads, Virginia, by application in person to  
R. E. DORRIS,  
Jan 6-4104  
Lieut. Colonel Engineer

old times and liquors in bottles, embracing in part—  
 Madre Xeres Fino Sherry  
 Duke's old Indian Queen Madeira, Harmony Golden Sherry  
 Buff Gordon's Mazzala brown Sherry  
 Howard, March, & Co.'s old reserve Madeira, Queen's  
 Sherry  
 390 quart demijohns superior old Bourbon whiskey  
 Buff Gordon's old conversation Sherry, old London Port  
 L. P. Madeira, imperial crown Sherry, Regina Port  
 Lecho Sherry, Queen's Port, Colicopac pale Sherry  
 old Holland gin, British pale Sherry  
 Hebrides and Irish Whisky and Port India Sherry

Sir John Oliveira's favorite Madeira, pure juice Port  
Superior old cognac brandy  
Moet and Chandon's green seal Champagne  
206 flasks of Martell & Co.'s brandy  
Mumm's cabernet Champagne, old Taitt Castillon brandy  
Lieschheimer wine, St. Julien claret, Caracara  
Marachino, English shiraz, branty cherries  
French odies, Florence oil, Bordeaux pickles  
French mustard, Calhoun whiskeys  
London cordial zinc, Mousgahels whiskey  
Flemish stout, berry brandy, Jaly malt whiskey, &c.  
The above list comprises a consignment from an old extensive

reliable house in New York, and is represented as being of very  
superior quality. Those who have purchased at our former sales  
in unequalled terms of their decided superiority. Terms at cash  
CHAS. W. BOTTLEL, Auctioneer

Feb 9 - d

WM. R. HENRY. JOHN L. CAMPBELL

**HENRY & CAMPBELL,**  
*Bankers,*  
LAND, COLLECTING, AND INSURANCE AGENTS.

Enter bonds with land warrants or cash, on or time, and loan at western rates, pay taxes, and furnish abstract to title.

Sep 28—*slowly*

**THE TURNER LEGACY.**—MEMBER Taylor & Co. try have the honor to announce that they have just received London a series of fine simple water-color drawings by the last E. Turner, from the original pictures and drawings by the late J. A. Turner, R. A., in the above collection, the property of the English nation, now exhibiting at Marlborough House, London.

Also, Simpson's celebrated historical painting of the Restoration of the Monarchy, by the people of the United States.

On exhibition at No. 525 Pennsylvania avenue, over Messrs. Stephens, & Co's store. (Hours from 10, a. m. to 8, p. m.)  
Admission 25 cents. Dec 13